

Hyde Hall Covered Bridge  
One and one-half miles west of  
East Lake Road  
East Springfield  
Otsego County  
New York

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Address: One and one-half miles west of East Lake Road,  
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Present Owner: Mr. Thomas Clarke, RFD, Cooperstown, N. Y.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History

1. Original and subsequent owners: George Clarke;  
George Clarke, Jr.; George Hyde Clarke; Thomas Clarke.
2. Date of erection: C. 1830, it is sometimes said to be  
the oldest covered bridge remaining in New York State.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

Description: This is a single span, single lane, covered wood bridge. It is supported by combination arch and lattice trusses on each side. The sides are covered on the exterior with narrow clapboards and the gable roof is shingled. End walls over the entrances are covered with horizontal boarding, cut to make elliptical headed entrances. The bridge is unpainted and in poor condition.

Prepared by F. Ward  
for the New York Historical  
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Cooperstown - October 1958  
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